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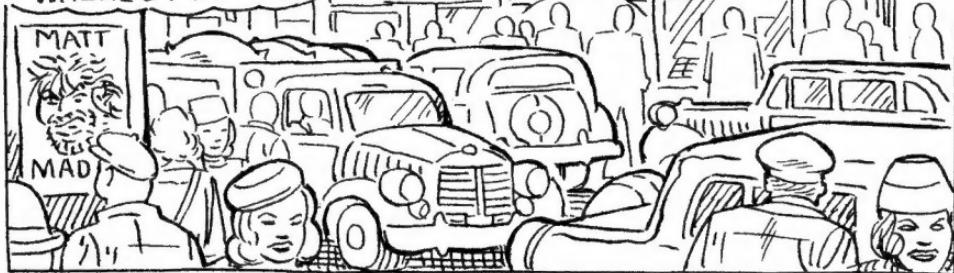
COMING ATTRACTION



THE MADMAN ZANE, A SMALL CITY IN THE 1930S....
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...WHERE'S MADDER?

WE NEED TO INQUIRE... WHY HASN'T HE BEEN CAUGHT? COVER UP... FAIR...



POLICE DOING ALL THEY CAN, MR. MAYOR. NOT GOOD/ENOUGH! MY POOR VOTERS ARE TERRIFIED...



WE NEED ACTION... RESULTS NOW...



MAYOR KEEPS CALLING ME!



...SEARCHED ALL THE WOODS, HIGHWAY... RAILING OUT OF TOWN, ALL ALLEYS...

AND NO LATE WORD FROM BAGE OR OIGIC. SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE...



...DOES MADDER KNOW I'M THE ONE WHO FIXED HIM...? XOXO



*NO INSIDE INFO ON
WHO DID IT TO MADDER.



...HAS TO
BE SOME
LEAD.) NOT SO FAR...



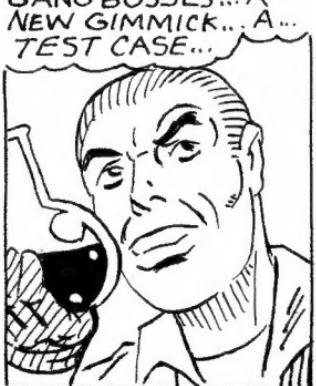
LOT OF PUNK,) KEEP
HOOD TALK...) ME IN-
NOTHING FORMED.
RELIABLE...



NOTHING ON THAT DRUG
SAMPLE.



...DOESN'T FIT WITH
GANG BOSSES... A
NEW GIMMICK... A
TEST CASE...



...BACKFIRED... USE-
LESS NOW... BE EX-
POSED SO A DEAD
END?



GOT TO BE SOME-
WHERE... WITH SOME-
ONE... OR KNOWS
SOMETHING... YET,
NOTHING!



WE'VE SEARCHED,
PROMISED REWARDS,
BULLIED, THREATENED...
NO LEADS...



WITH A DRUG... MAKES
HIM UNSTABLE...
UNPREDICTABLE...
NO PATTERN...



CRIME BOSSES X@>``
 ...LOSING CONTROL ...WE'RE
 ...DOUGH... ALL TAR-
 GETS.



PEOPLE
 SCARED,
 SUSPICIOUS,
 POLICE EVERYWHERE...

I'D HELP) ...NOT GOING OUT / WHY?
 MADDER,) AFTER DARK... / WHY?
 A VICTIM...



WE
 KEEP
 OUR
 DOORS
 LOCKED.

X@>
 WISH...

I PRAY A LOT...

IT'S
 NOT
 FAIR!

WHAT IF...

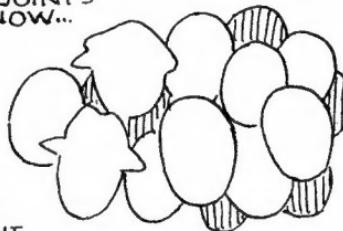
IT'S
 POSSI-
 BLE...

MANBE...

DO
 SOM-
 THING!

I CRY...

UNDERWORLD... } ...KEEPING A
 I'M STICKING LOW PROFILE...
 TO JOINTS
 I KNOW...

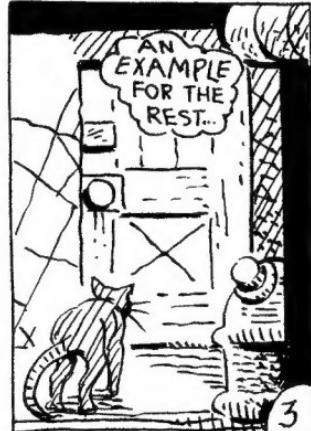


@

WHY
 DIDN'T
 I...

SUPPOSE...

WHY
 DOESN'T
 SOMEONE...







MOST GUARDS OUT-SIDE...



NO! DIDN'T EXPECT ANY ONE GET THIS FAR.



YES! BO'S IN-SIDE, ALONE.



NO! NO! NOT ME! I SWEAR... DIDN'T DRUG YOU...

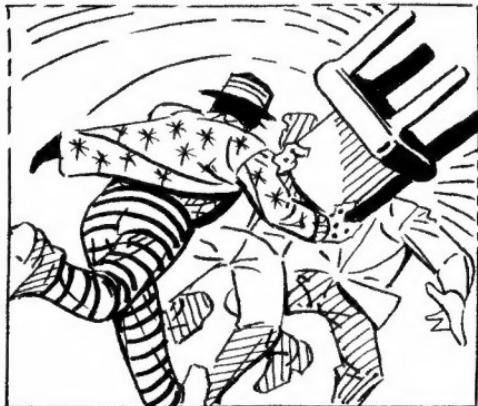


WHO THEN?



GOD! DON'T KNOW...





JUST AN EXAMPLE...



LUCKY I DIDN'T
TO BE FRAME
ALIVE MADDER...



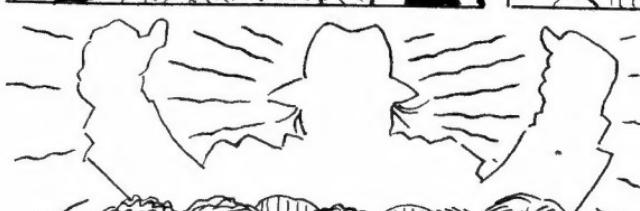
I CAN GOTTA
SEE HE BELIEVES
PROTECT ME
YOU. PLEASE...



...SO HE'S OUT FOR
REVENGE... GOING TO
BE HARD TO
STOP...



AT LEAST HE'S SO
NOT KILLING, FAR TOO FAR.
VIOLENT... ALREADY...



*@# WHEN
WILL HE COME
AFTER ME? #*



*@# WHAT'S
GOING
WHO'S
NEXT? THE # GUY
TO SATISFY
HIM? WHO
FRAMED
HIM. SO WHO
IS
HE?



HOW CAN I
STOP HIM?
8 CON...

'THE CAPE'



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THAT DIRTY CROOK
CHEATED ME...



I'D LOVE TO GET EVEN
WITH HIM... PAY X
BACK...
YAH!



LOVE TO
ACTUALLY DO IT...
DESERVES IT.



WATCH HIM
BEG...YAH...
BEG...
YAH!



HE'S ALWAYS ALONE
AT THIS TIME... WAYS
TO SCHEME... CHEAT...



HOLD IT, JAKE! / ED.... WHAT?
A... A GUN!?





'WE'VE BEEN / THE X @
PARTNERS / BOOKS...
YOU CAN'T THE KEY
BELIEVE TO THE WALL
LOCK...
IDA.....

OKAY!... YOU'LL SEE I'VE
ALWAYS BEEN
SQUARE...

/ / /
SHOW
YOU #
TWO...





OH! WHAT A WEIRD
FANTASY FLASHED
OVER
ME!



IT WAS SO REAL...



TOO MUCH
BOOZE
OR
NOT
EN-
OUGH.
YAH!



I NEED A DRINK... A
COUPLE... MAYBE... SO
REAL... REAL...



CAN'T
GET
OVER
IT...

SO REAL... SMELLED
GUNSMOKE... AH!...
IMAGINED IT ALL...
XO ""
IDA...
LIES,
HIT-
TING
BACK.
YAH!



*... SOUND... SMELLS...
JUST IMAGINATION...



... NERVES... JUST
NEED A
GOOD
NIGHTS
SLEEP.
YAH!



... JUST IN...
SHOOTING...
DOUBLE
KILLING...



... TWO RACKETEERS
IN SHOOT OUT...



... POLICE TRACING A
THIRD GUN...
FOUND AT THE SCENE...



... M... MY GUN... GONE...



GONE...
I... I DROPPED IT
AT...



I WAS THERE...
HOW!?



WHAT SHOULD I DO?
END? (6.)

'A CRIME STORY CONTINUING...

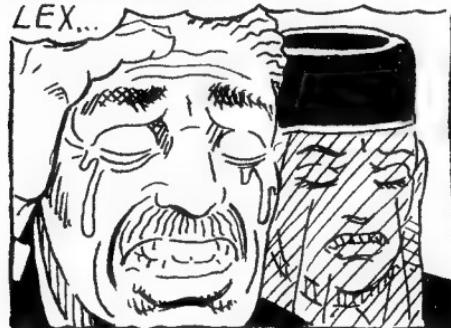
...LEX...SOB!... RECO'S TAKING IT HARD.

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I'LL FIND OUT WHO KILL-) I KNOW
ED...MURDERED LEX.) YOU WILL.
IDA, I SWEAR...



I WON'T REST UNTIL THAT KILL-
ER OF LEX PAYS FOR IT...
PAYS BY MY HANDS...LEX...
LEX...



LATER...) ...SOME COMFORT FOR...
POOR IDA...



WELL, SO FAR, WE'VE DRAWN
ED?) A BLANK!



EVERYONES ON YES, MINE!
IT...A MATTER THAT KILLER
OF TIME, THEN IS GOING TO,
HE'S ALL YOURS! PAY MY WAY,
PAY...



"NO! IT'S SOME WE SETTLED IT
OUTSIDER, RECO) LONG AGO. NO
ONE HITS A FAMILY MEMBER)

YOU WANT) HELP) WE FIND HIM,
YOU GET) HE'S YOURS!
) IT, RECO.

NO!
NOT THE BOSSSES... BUT.
NO REAL OUTSIDER!

SOME INSIDER
KNEW LEX SOME-
WHERE SOM' REASON.
X DOESN'T MATTER...

SOMEONE WITH
SOMETHING
AGAINST
LEX...

YET... CAN'T RULE OUT... X COPS OUTSIDE...
YET... RESENTERS HOTHEADS...

YAH...

COULDN'T NO TEARS
HAPPEN FROM ME.
TO A NICER,
ROTTEN BRAT!

WELL, STILL NOTHING
ED? SOLID.

WHO? WHO? WE'LL FIND
HIM.

SEE THAT
HE TAKES
HIS PILLS,
ED.

YES! (10.)

'TIME FOR ME) SURE. UNDER-
TO GET IN- STANDABLE, RECO.
VOLVED. ...BOYS WAITING.



I WANT TO TALK TO EACH ONE OF
YOU SEPERATELY...



LEVEL WITH ME.. I WANT IT
STRAIGHT... YOU
GOT NOTHING TO
FEAR...



LEX SLAPPED ED! NOONE
GOT AWAY WITH HITTING,
ABUSING
ED!



LESLY SLAPPED YOU.
(YAH, RECO.)



'ANYBODY BUT YOU OR LEX AND I'D HAVE KILLED HIM ON THE SPOT. BELIEVE IT OR NOT...' 

CAN I BELIEVE HIM...?!

WELL, RECO, Y... IF YOU'RE SURE, YOU WANT TO - NO MISTAKE. USE MY GUN...

"SURE!" X@NOT SURE... YET... PROMISE TO IDA...

COPS) X@# AND WERE THEY'D LOVE AT THAT GATHER- HURT ME! ING...

WE GOT THEM WATCH- ED! BOSSSES PRESSUR-ING THE POLICE...

THEY GAVE US IN-VESTIGATING RE-PORTS... WANT TO AVOID THINGS GETTING OUT OF HAND...



...WONDER WHAT'S)... EAVES- GOING ON... DROP.. GET CAUGHT... WE'LL BURY YOU.

ED'S IN BIG TROUBLE... WE ALL HATED LEX. TO KNOW LEX IS TO HATE HIM!

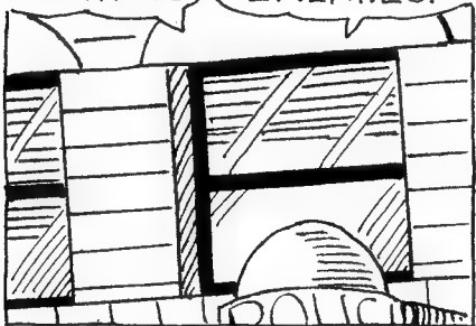
...I BELIEVE YOU... FOR NOW, SO WE KEEP LOOKING. ED.



SO WHO? WHY?... LEX... 12.



...NO LEADS! LEX WAS # NO ONE ON THE ROTTEN, A STREET KNOWS LOT OF REAL ANYTHING.



ALWAYS SOMEONE, MAYBE MAD, DUMB EVEN RECO ENOUGH...AN OPPORTUNITY... KNOCKED LEX OFF.



YOU TWO ARE WE ALWAYS WERE, IN THE CLEAR.



CASE OPEN AND WE'RE IN THE DARK!

YAH! CHECKED... BACK TO WHERE IT OUT... BACK MY BEAT. BOTH TO HQ! HE DESER- THERE.



NOT OUR BUSINESS. WHO THE KILLER IS... IS.

YAH! BEFORE LEX COULD KILL HIM, OH, OH! TAKE OVER...



WE'RE ALL MISSING SOMETHING, RECO, MAYBE TOO MANY SUSPECTS WITH LEX... NOT LIKED... HATED...



...HATE...

YAH! MISSING WHAT?

WHAT AM I MISSING?
ED ALWAYS LOYAL...
YET LEX HUMILIATED
HIM... OTHERS LEX
ABUSED...



X@ I LET LEX GET
OUT OF CONTROL...
ED'S FAULT... MINE...



IF NOT ED, SOMEONE
LEX ABUSED, HURT...



NOT BOSSSES, NO!... A
SCORE TO SETTLE...



NO ONE IN THE GANG,
STREET KNOWS OR
SAYS ENOUGH...
LEX...
LEX...



SOMEONE'S GOT
TO KNOW SOMETHING.
WHAT?
WAIT.
!?!?



MISSING... MISSING
ABOUT
LEX...



CAN WE SIT
AND TALK...) SURE, I'LL PUT ALL
THIS ASIDE.



WHY DID YOU KILL MY SON?

LEX WAS OUR SON, OUR...
YOU PROMISED, SWORE
YOU'D KEEP LEX OUT OF THE
RACKETS...



YOU LISTENED TO US... FOUND
SPOON... TRACES OF FLOUR ON
THE WINDOW SILL... SPYING... Z
YOU TURNED LEX INTO A
KILLER!

I LISTENED WHEN ED TOLD YOU OF LEX'S BRUTAL
WAYS... LEX'S KILLING... AND YOU... YOU
WERE PROUD

OF
YOUR
SON...
LEX...



LEX WAS MY SON... COULDN'T
LOSE MY TERRITORY... Z
SO A KILLER SON, KILLING
IS YOUR WAY TO GET AND KEEP...

BANG!

!?!?



YOU END IT

16.

— I —
WHO KNOWS WHAT
CANNOT BE SEEN OR KNOWN,
YET HE'S SO ABSOLUTELY,
TOTALLY CERTAIN OF THE ONLY
REAL AND GOOD...

— I —
WHO HAS THE EXTREME POWER
OF THE POWERS...
— I —

— I —
WHO KNOWS FOR CERTAIN THE REAL
ABSOLUTE UNCERTAINTY AND THE
UNKNOWNABLE...

— I —
THE ABSOLUTE ZERO, THE TOTAL
SUM OF ALL ADDING, COUNTING,

— I —
COMMANDS AND RULES
YOU, READ, AND OBEY

— I —
THE...

THE ALL-MIGHTY ZERO

(TO)

I AM THE ABSOLUTE ALL-OF/NOTHINGNESS
 I DEMAND TOTAL
 OBEDIENCE
 BECAUSE I AM THE
 ARBITRARY

I AM
 EVERYTHING
 BECAUSE
 I AM
 NOTHING
 YOU
 MUST (MUST)
 BELIEVE
 ME
 BECAUSE
 YOU HAVE
 FAITH
 AND NOT
 THE CURSED
 FANTASIES
 OF
 UGH
 REASON
 AND ACK
 LOGIC

YOU, YES YOU
 WILL FULLY
 ACCEPT MY
 MEANDERINGS
 WORSHIP
 MYILLUSIONS
 OF
 NOTHING
 THE ZERO
 AS THE
 REAL
 ABSOLUTE.

THE
 ONLY
 SOMETHING
 I HAVE
 SPOKEN SO
 COMMANDED
 YOU
 KNEEL BEFORE
 ME... (2)





'BUT YOU CAN'T SETTLE ANYTHING WITHOUT ME!



CAN'T YOU SEE THAT?
YOU NEED ME, ME...

BECAUSE, BECAUSE ONLY I
CAN SETTLE DIFFERENCES,
WRONGS, DISPUTES, HAT-
REDS, AGGRESSIONS,
WARS...



HOW CAN YOU, ANYONE, DO
WITHOUT ME TO GUIDE, TO
SETTLE, YOUR MISERABLE
CONFLICTS?



...NEED YOU!?" YES, WHY? "



THERE'S NO OTHER WAY!
WHAT WERE WE MISSING ALL
THIS TIME?
CAN'T YOU SEE
I'M YOUR
ONLY
HOPE...

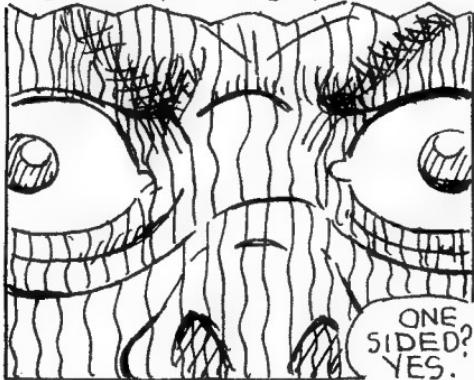


WELL, WE DO
HAVE A
SYSTEM...

I KNEW IT!
IT HAS TO BE ALL
WRONG...



IT'S ONE-SIDED! SO NO COMPROMISE, RIGHT!

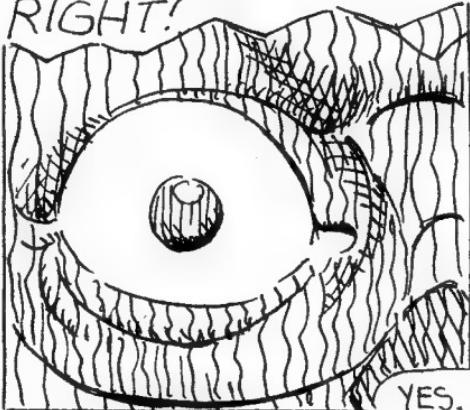


XOX HUMAN MIND XOX
REASON, CERTAINTY
RIGHT!



YES.

YES! ALL OR NOTHING,
RIGHT!



XOX ABSOLUTES XOX
NO MIDDLE GROUND.
RIGHT.



YES..

NO GIVE AND TAKE, NO COMPROMISE...
NO
NEGOTIATIONS
EITHER... OR...
IT'S
NO COMPROMISE.

YES. (4)

TELL ME HOW. COMPROMISE FOR THE GOOD OF YOUR SOUL, MIND, LIFE, WELL BEING, HONESTY, TRUTH, ETC., ETC...



I MUST KNOW TO SAVE YOU FROM YOURSELF.



WELL THERE'S ONE SIDE, ONE PART...

SAH! ONE PART AND THE OTHER...



THE OTHER WHY DON'T WE JUST SHOW HIM? IS...



ONE PART IS...

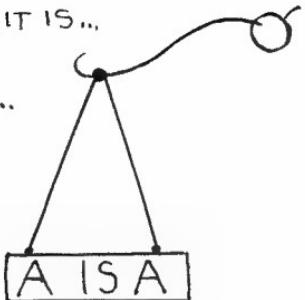


THE OTHER PART IS...



...TOGETHER, IT IS...

EITHER...



SO
YOU KNOW HOW,
WHAT AND WHY
WE CHOOSE
WHAT WE DO.

EVERYONE GETS
WHAT'S TRULY
COMING TO
HIM THE
EARNED
AND
DESERVED.



THE DISHONEST
HAVE RIGHTS,
CRIMINALS
HAVE RIGHTS,
EVIL
HAS A
RIGHT
TO
DESTROY,
MURDER.

EITHER/OR

MUTUAL
CON-
SENT
FOR
MUTUAL
BENE-
FIT



THAT'S THAT'S,
SO UGLY
FAIR TRADE
@XX EVIL
SELFISH-
NESS...



YOU MUST
COMPROMISE,
CORRUPT
YOURSELVES
FOR OTHERS
GOOD.
ONLY THE
OTHERS
MATTER,
COUNT. (6.)



YOU FOOLS, YOU CAN'T LIVE,
EXIST WITHOUT WANTING,
DEMANDING, THE ACTUAL
UNEARNED,
UNDESERVED,
THE UNJUST.

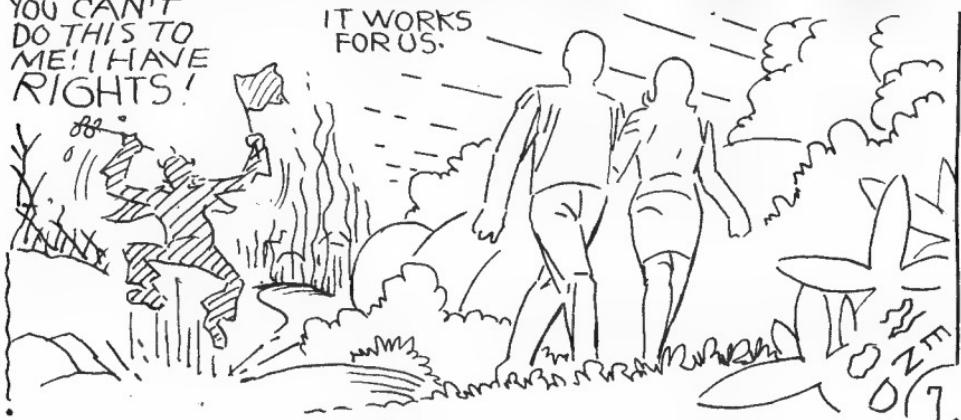
YOU'RE CRUEL BEASTS,
UNCARING...

YOU CAN'T
DO THIS TO
ME! I HAVE
RIGHTS!

IT WORKS
FOR US.

INJUSTICE IS HUMAN;
NATURE, IT'S SACRED!

YOU'RE HUMAN
MONSTERS...



I AM NOTHING SO DEMANDING.
OBEDIENCE BECAUSE I AM THE ZERO,
THE ARBITRARY. I ORDER YOU TO
FOLLOW ME, ACCEPT MY MEANDER-
INGS WORSHIP MY ILLUSIONS
AS THE ONLY REAL ABSOLUTE.



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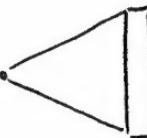
IMPORTANT REA
LIFE TRUTH MIND



WHITE, EXTREME PURE CLEAR TAINTED RUINED CORRUPTED EXTREME BLACK



REASON
GOOD STANDARDS
JUSTICE

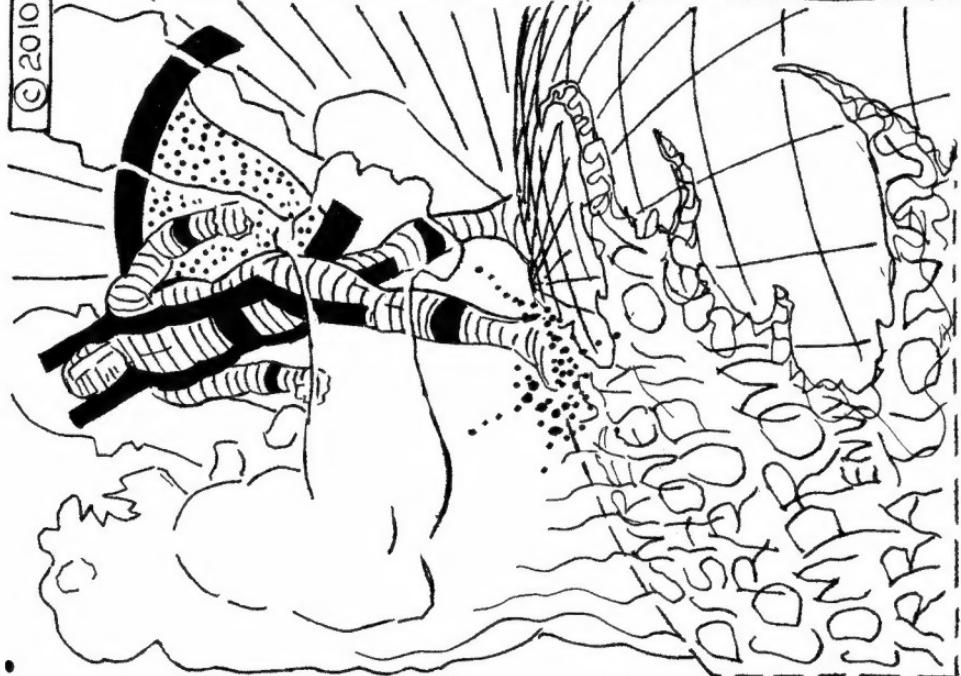
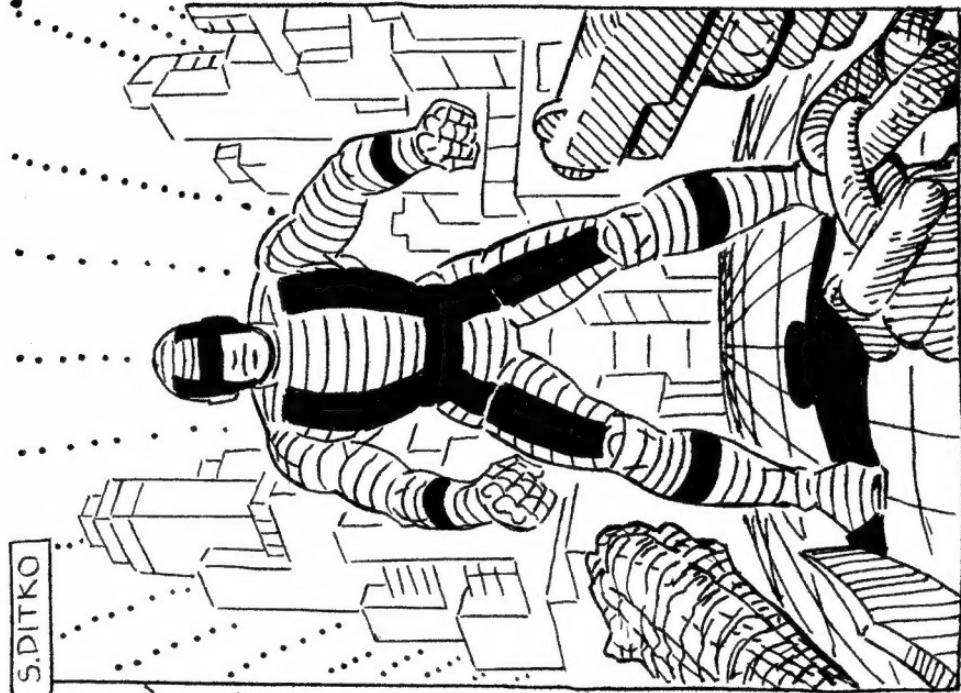


WHO CARES
NOT THAT TRIVIA
WASTETIME
GO ALONG FADS TRENDS

CORRUPTED
MIDDLE ROAD

RUINED CORRUPTED EXTREME BLACK
LIVE LET LIVE
WHOSE TO SAY

AH, WE'RE ALL A LIKE
FAITH A FANTASY INITIATE EVIL
NO ONE REAL GOOD DELUSION FORCE
NO ONE BAD ALL JUST HUMAN



A Pyramid Scan



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